Statement-III

Companies in which foreign/NRI Equity has been approved

Sl.No.	Name of the Company	Percentage of foreign/NRI equity
1.	M/s. Airways (India) Ltd.	20% foreign equity by Gulf Air 20% foreign equity by Kuwait Air 60% NRI equity
2.	M/s. Lufthansa Cargo India** Pvt. Ltd.	95% NRI/OCB equity (57% NRI by Hinduja Group) (38% by Lufthansa AG, Germany)
3.	TCG Aviation Pvt. Ltd.	100% NRI/OCB equity by TCG Aviation, (Mauritius)
4.	Elbee Airlines	55.84% NRI/OCB by CSLB Aviation Holding (Mauritius) Ltd.
5.	M/s Trans India Airlines Pvt. Ltd.	50% NRI/OCB equity
6.	M/s Assured Airways Ltd.	50% NRI Investment by M/s Ajit Raghav and Associates
7.	M/s Deccan Airlines	51% NRI equity investment
8.	M/s Maharashi International Business Development Ltd.	100 NRI equity investment

* Equity from foreign airlines is to be disinvested within 6 months of the Cabinet decision prohibiting any investment of equity by foreign airlines in domestic airlines.

** The Company does not operate on domestic sectors.

ONGC's Survey

3040. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether ONGC has conducted any survey of the Kerala Coast during the last three years;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof;

(c) whether the effort was abandoned later; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. During 1994-97, a total of 23541 LKm of 2D and 9956 LKm of 3D seismic surveys were carried out in Kerala Konkan offshore. These seismic surveys covering mainly deep water areas, are under various stages of interpretation. Interpretation of the seismic data acquired during 1994-97 alongwith the earlier acquired data led to the identification of several potential prospects. During 1997-98 four exploratory locations have been lined up for drilling.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. During IXth Five Year Plan period 9000 LKm of 2D Seismic survey has been identified.

Power Generating Project

3041. SHRI N.N. KRISHNADAS :
SHRI P.C. THOMAS :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) the present status of power generating project being set up by Cochin Refineries;

(b) whether there are any obstacles in this project;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether this project is getting support or aid from foreign companies or agencies; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) to (c) Government has accorded Ist Stage clearance to Cochin Refineries Limited (CRL) for preparation of a Detailed Feasibility Report (DFR) for setting up of a 500 M.W. Power generating project. The DFR is to be submitted to the Government with in a period of 9 months.

(d) and (e) The project is proposed to be set up as a Joint Venture. Details regarding financing, etc. of the

project would be known only when the DFR is submitted by CRL.

Corruption Cases

3042. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of cases relating to corruption, dishonesty and assets disproportionate to the income of defence/civil servants investigated by the vigilance department of the Ministry in 1995-96;

(b) the number of officers involved in the above cases, grade-wise;

(c) the number of complaints received for corruption and dishonesty in the 1995-96 and the action taken thereon;

(d) whether the vigilance initiate action suo moto against the staff suspected to be dishonest and corrupt;

(e) if so, whether the Ministry have made any review of the functioning of powers of the vigilance section under their control; and

(f) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) The number of cases relating to corruption, dishonesty and assets disproportionate to the income of defence/civil servants investigated by the vigilance department of the Ministry in 1995-96 is 100.

(b) The number of officers involved in the above cases is as under :

Civilian	Service Officer	
Group 'A' - 45	Officers	- 38
Group 'B' - 22	JCOs	- 4
Group 'C' - 27	ORs/Sailors/ Airmen	- 9
Group 'D' - Nil		

(c) The number of complaints received for corruption and dishonesty in the year 1995-96 is 268. These complaints were got investigated through vigilance cells of the concerned ogranisations and appropriate punitive action was taken in such cases where the allegations were substantiated.

(d) Yes, Sir. The Vigilance Section/Cells initiate suo-moto action against the staff suspected to be dishonest and corrupt.

(e) and (f) The functioning of the Vigilance Section/ Cells is reviewed by the Ministry from time to time on the basis of quarterly reports/returns and meetings of the CVOs with the Heads of Vigilance Cells. The Vigilance setup has been functioning satisfactorily and the existing instructions meet the requirement.

[Translation]

Supply of Less Quantity of Petrol

3043. SHRIMATI SUBHAWATI DEVI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received any complaint regarding petrol pump in Benipur distt., Darbhanga in Bihar supplying less quantity of petrol and charging more money than the actual price; and

(b) if so, the reasons for not cancelling its license ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) and (b) A complaint was received against M/s. Sunder Service Station, Benipur, Darbhanga for over-charging. During investigation, it was found that the dealer had charged additional one paise compared to the approved rate. In line with the Marketing Discipline Guidelines (MDG), sales and supplies were suspended for 15 days and a fine of Rs. 2000/- was imposed on the dealer alongwith a warning letter. As this was the first instance of over-charging by the dealer, the licence was not cancelled. Dealerships are liable for termination under the MDG for the third offence.

[English]

Standard of NCC Cadets

3044. SHRI DHIRENDRA AGARWAL : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any steps have been taken to raise the standard of National Cader Corps Cadets to commensurate with the requirement of armed forces;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the strength of girl cadets is being raised, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken to review the activities of N.C.C., and bring about necessary changes in N.C.C. training ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) and (b) National Cadet Corps (NCC) is essentially a vountary movement aimed at developing desirable physical and mental qualities